



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

P.O. BOX 621
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96809

AGENDA

MOLOKA'I ISLAND
BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 1998
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Mitchell Pau'ole Center
90 Iona Street
Kaunakakai, Hawai'i 96748

- Board of Land and Natural Resources*
- Commission on Water Resource Management
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- Boating and Ocean Recreation Division
- Bureau of Conveyances
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 - Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission
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 - Public Information Office
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 - Hunter Education Program
- Forestry and Wildlife Division
- Historic Preservation Division
- Land Division
- State Parks Division
- Water Resource Management Division

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III. BUSINESS

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B. KALAMA'ULA

Information/Recommendation: Update and discussion of burial concerns.

C. CASE UPDATES AND INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES

Information: Any recent discoveries, reinterments, and ongoing cases.

- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS
V. ADJOURNMENT

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ATTENDANCE

Members: William Akutagawa Myrle Florea
Luana Hamakua Anna Goodhue
Louella Albino Edwina Cacoulidis
Philip Solatario Ronald Kimball

Guest: Donald Kalaiwa'a, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei

ABSENT Lawrence Aki

I. OPENING REMARKS

Chairperson William Akutagawa (Akutagawa) called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 26, 1998, MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made and unanimously accepted to approve, *as submitted*, the **August 26, 1998, Meeting Minutes (Albino/Solatario)**.

Vote: All in favor.

III. BUSINESS

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Akutagawa mentioned that he hasn't received any further lineal descendant information from SHPD regarding Mr. Kawaikapuokalani Hewett; however, from the previous meeting, the council had acknowledged him as a lineal descendant, pending any future information that claims otherwise.

Akutagawa said that no information has been provided by the SHPD regarding Mrs. Meta Nicola's lineal descendant claim either so he'll call SHPD and request that any information regarding Nicola's/Hewett's lineal descendant claims be forwarded to Vice Chairperson Myrle Florea (Florea). Councilmembers will be contacted when said documentation is available for review.

Akutagawa said that this council has already acknowledged Raymond Naki as a lineal descendant.

Akutagawa said that Alapa`i Hanapi (Hanapi) needs to get back to the council regarding Po Kane night. Hanapi had called Akutagawa from Maui last Monday night explaining his current involvement in court proceedings and, therefore, must prepare for the next Po Kane night. The other issue discussed was the letter from the Pacific Legal Foundation. Akutagawa said that one of the main points of the letter was the need to demonstrate that the iwi was actually from the property itself. Pursuant to a telephone conversation he had with Ka`iana Markell (Markell) last night, Akutagawa said that Markell expressed that at this point, we probably could track the repository of the bones in Hui Malama's possession and indicate that it did come from the property. Akutagawa said that the Department is responsible for resolving any legal issues so there's no need for the council to dispute the iwi's position. However, the council must stand firm that reinterment is necessary. Akutagawa said that Hanapi wants to reinter the iwi on the next Po Kane night. The council shared the same opinion that we should move ahead with reinterment. Hamakua recommended, however, that as a hui and as a council, we should come together as one, and go upon the land, and offer a formal pule requesting permission. Hamakua said that looking at this letter, it seems like more things are coming about that's stopping us from putting them to rest. Hamakua shared with everyone that about nine of them got together recently and went on the land about 2 a.m., did a special pule, and sat there until the sun came up. Everything went smoothly. Whatever needed to be done was done, and we were comfortable about it.

Akutagawa said that he'll contact the SHPD to express the council's standpoint and will contact James Mee, Esq. to express the council's cultural concerns. Next, we'll move forward with arranging a date/time in the near future to pule at the site as recommended by Hamakua. Akutagawa asked Donald Kalaiwa`a (Kalaiwa`a) if he could inform Hanapi of the council's decision is to move ahead and reinter, and that Akutagawa will contact the SHPD to discuss the

liability issues that were brought up by Kimball. Akutagawa said that in addition, proper notification must be communicated to Arleone outlining this council's plans to go on her property. Akutagawa said that Florea will contact all councilmembers with the date.

Kimball asked if anyone had more information about the Pacific Legal Foundation? Someone mentioned that its main office is in Sacramento, California.

B. KALAMA`ULA

Information/Recommendation: Update and discussion of burial concerns.

On behalf of Greg Helm, Hamakua represented that a letter to OHA, Hui Malama, and this burial council was forthcoming because all parties need to come together in order to make decisions on what needs to be done at that burial site. The Pua family doesn't think the iwi is theirs because their mother was buried further back. Akutagawa said that the Department is trying to get the three agencies together, and the Department will publish a legal notice in the newspaper about the discovery. If nobody comes forward by said deadline, the council will have to decide what to do -- move it to a christian cemetery, mark it unknown -- we don't know. Hamakua said that there are three lots involved -- two lots could be set aside or different lots could be re-awarded to the deceased. Kimball asked if those lots were residential or agricultural? Hamakua replied residential. Florea said that she spoke to Pikake Pelekai (Pelekai), who heads OHA's cultural center, and Pelekai said that she's contacted whomever's in charge, but they still haven't gotten back to her.

Akutagawa said that after the meeting today, he can take them [councilmembers] to the site for a quick look.

C. CASE UPDATES AND INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES

Information: Any recent discoveries, reinterments, and ongoing cases.

None.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Florea asked the newest councilmembers, Solatario and Albino, whether they wanted to discuss any other issues that haven't been covered yet and whether they had any questions or comments? Albino commented that she and Solatario had recently attended the Governor's Orientation for new commissioners and board members held on O`ahu.

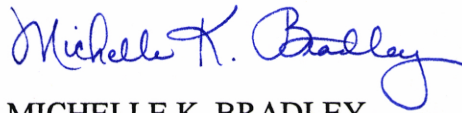
V. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and unanimously accepted to adjourn the meeting (Cacoulidis/Solatario).

Vote: All in favor.

Solatario offered the closing pule.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michelle K. Bradley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michelle" and last name "Bradley" clearly legible.

MICHELLE K. BRADLEY
Historic Sites Preservation Specialist I